J. S. Hill, Business Manager.

MARBLE HILL, - - MISSOURI It takes some practice to learn how

The mosquito isn't the only bore

that sings at his work. As a rule, whenever we find a brook

we find stepping stones. The individual who thinks he knows

it all has the most to learn. Mingle folly with your wisdom, or

nobody will associate with you. A great many politicians were forced

out of business when meat went up to one dollar. The charities that soothe and heal

men like flowers. When the doctor tells a woman to dlet, she cuts less at the table and

more in the pantry. The man whose religion will not

stand the test of careful thinking has not very much to hoast of The gentlemen at The Hague have

sell each other gold bricks, Too often when a man's good deeds speak for themselves he spoils the effect by going around with his mouth

The Havana man whose wardrobe consists of one undershirt has been seriously handicapped by Gen. Brooke's

tion of knowing that his southern audiences didn't hiss when he gave They gave up their concert and flew them expansion talks.

An Ohlo man recently hanged himself from the top round of a ladder. Thus are we once more reminded that

there is always room at the top. tance to surrender is partly inspired by a fear that under an autonomy And the clouds rolled up from the west Aguinaldo may not be provided with a

In the first four months of this year, in the single state of New Jersey, there were incorporated companies with an aggregate capital equal in amount to the entire mass of money of all kinds in circulation in the United States.

Nothing taxable which Spain's cupidity could reach not even the grave seems to have escaped the clutches of her representatives in Cuba. A vivid idea of the thoroughness of their methods in this particular is given in the fact that a yearly tax was assessed upon each letter on the signs used by merchants and others. This impost was farmed out to contractors who in collecting, were often arbitrary and annoying. It will remain in force till That we were just keeping the Fourth June, 1899, and Americans who have begun business and have hung out signs at any time within the year are to pay a full year's tax.

The most extraordinary book sale of this century is that attending "What Would Jesus Do?" by the Rev. Charles | Arizony," coming down from his camp Sheldon of Kansas. Over-three million for a bucket of milk, found a lonesome copies have been sold in England little boy standing guard on the dooralone, while three other of his books, step while mamme was resting within. published at a penny apiece, recently ran through an edition of nine hundred thousand copies in a fortnight While the poet laureate has lately called upon our government to redress the copyright laws respecting English authors, twenty English publishers have pirated Mr. Sheldon's sermonstories. The self-seeking, inconsiderate man is of no abiding city, nor can any country call itself immune from his predations.

The whistles had just blown for 12 o'clock. On a quiet side street a wagon was drawn up against the curb, its horses feeding. One placidly munched his oats from a feed bag. For his companion, a tin bucket holding the necessary food had been provided. This had somehow become displaced, and the horse unable to get his mouth into it, had thrashed about until he had scattered his oats upon the ground. In the midst of his distress a man in limestained overalls appears. In his dress and hurrled gait it was easy to recognize the workingman, eager for his own dinner and with but little time to eat it. But he saw the horse's trouble and stopped abruptly. Then he home with her so's your pa could take quickly selzed the discomforting back- everybody else to the picnic. Well, et, swept the scattered oats into it, fas- that's rough! I didn't git to go mytened it securely to the horse's head. and then patting the animal's neck affectionately, he hurried away to his own dinner. It was a gentle, spontaneous act of a kindly nature such as women trust, and children love. May bounteous dinners be his always!

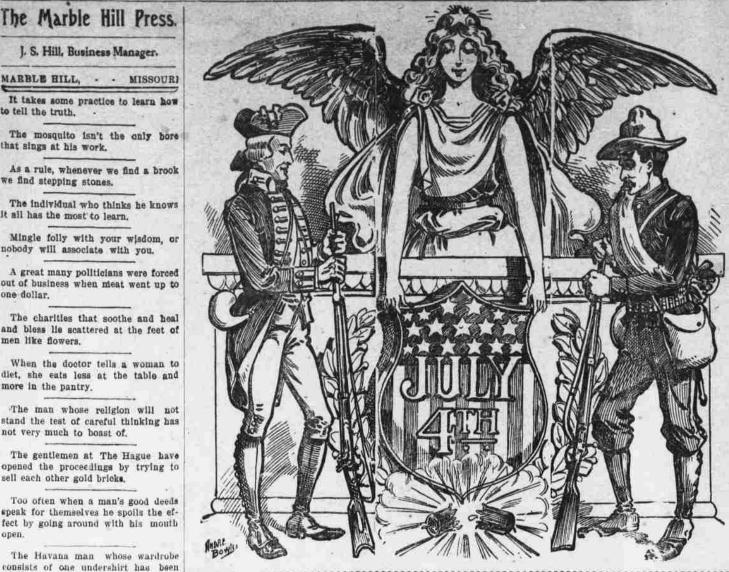
Excitement comes high in Chicago, according to Alderman H. Dink, but it is well worth the price. The alderman says he paid \$6,000 in cash for the share of it that falls to his lot as one of the representatives of the first ward in the council, and he surely does not seem to regret it. But possibly he has a definition other than that given in the dictionary for the word.

King Malietoa Tanu bas a salary of \$150 per month, and he is compelled to fight for his job. He ought to do better than that in the museum business.

Senator Platt has snuffed out the peace conference at The Hague. He says of universal peace that it is "visionary, beautiful, impracticable. It can never be in our day." He might say the same of pure politics and he nearer the truth, but men will strive for it knowing that the day of Platt, Quay, and their like will not last forever.

Evil speaking can do no lasting evil, for the wall of friendship that is so frail it will orumble to dust beneath the last of an evil tongue is not worth

It is a very poor record when night our of the day with our thoughts bent lly upon our own pleasure or profit. if this is a sad day to spend one day, low much worse is it when we ap-



OUR CELEBRATION.

Gen. Joe Wheeler has the satisfac- The birds have been practicing glees. but today

away; noisy and shrill,

so they kept still; And the blustering wind went off in a

huff, Is it possible that Aguinaldo's reinc- Since nobody noticed how loud he could puff.

in a row. For they thought that the noise in the queerest looking "crackers." world below Was the voice of the thunder to call

them together, And so they began to make showery weather. And the Man in the Moon, being greatly perplexed

Wished for hands or feet, as well as spruce's top. a face. To cover his ears up, or run from his

And the baby stars opened their bright little eyes, And stared down below with the great-

est Eurprise To see how the rockets shot up in the

But they never guessed out What it all was about,

-Peresis Gardiner. LOUIE'S

ARIZONY." It was nearly noon when

"An' so you nin't at the picule?" he said. How's that? Your ma wasn't



"AN' SO YOU AIN'T AT THE PICNIC? feelin' right good, an' you stayed at

self, but sure's I'm a old gold-miner

old Arizona, as he put Louis on his white linen put on in alternate rows of of celebratin' this Fourth if I can run eight and seven stars each, eight being acrost anybody that'll jine in an' in the top row. The field then comhelp! "Oh, if mamma was well I--" Louis began, and just then mamma, to the stripes. In these measurements hearing them talking, opened the for the stripes three inches has been door; and she said she felt ever so

much better, and he must go and help Mr. Arizona celebrate. And besides the bucket of milk, she filled one also with cakes and pies.
"Well, I reckon this beags all the ridey-go-rounds at the picnic!" said old Arizona, as he put Louie on his

burro tied at the garden gate. And Louie thought so, too, as the burro carried him, easy as a cradle, all the way to old Arizona's camp, where the big spruce stood up like a



the venison, and old Arizona as polite- crackelty-bang! the crackers began to ly "pitched in" to the milk and ples. | go off in my pocket!

of it, and jumped right up with, "Oh, a minute I didn't know what to do I say, Mr. Arizona, how are we going ran, but the crackers ran with me, And the locusts and grasshoppers, to celebrate 'thout any firecrackers?" "Ha! ha! haw!" laughed old Ari-Could not make themselves heard, and zona. "As if I ain't got the biggest an' the best you ever see! Ginuwine cannot ones. Why, one of my giant crackers'll go off louder than all the crackers at the plenic put together

> Looky here! He reached to a root behind him, and showed Louie a bundle of the

He laid one on a boulder and lit a fuse; and didn't Louie jump at the polse when it cracked that boulder! "Now we'll have some water-works," said old Arizona. And he dropped one

with a lighted fuse in the creek by the spruce, and it went off with a To know whatever would happen next. splutter that sett the water to the "And now we must have a real big cannon one," he said; and he put three

whole crackers in a hole in a dead cot tonwood. And in a minute that tough old tree flew everywhere in splinters while a roar louder than thunder went colling through the hills, "I reckon that beats anything at the

picule," said old Arizona, And Louie said that it beat the plc nic all to pieces,-J. S. Oakling,

MAKING AN AMERICAN FLAG AT HOME.

American flag is a difficult one to make, whereas it is easy and simple. It is a pity that the flag used in or on the house should not be oftener than it is the work of the mother, wife or daughter. The best material to use for a flag is bunting, as it is the only material which withstands wind and much, for it really was very funny, I weather.

The field is the only really troubleome part, for the reason that it is a difficult task to cut out and stitch for ty-five five-pointed stars and secure regularity. But these fields may be urchased ready made at small cost. The proper dimensions for flags over one foot in size are as follows: Eight and a half by fourteen inches, twelve by twenty-two, seventeen and a half by wenty-seven and a balf, twenty-eight and a half by forty-three, thirty-five by fifty-eight; three feet by five and

four by seven. In making a flag three feet in width and five in length, seven strips of red bunding, six of white, and a field of blue are required. Three of the red stripes and three of the white should be five feet in length by three inches in width. Four of the red stripes and three of the white stripes should be thirty-four inches in length by three in width. These thirteen stripes hould be stitched together with French seams, the shorter stripes being at the upper right-hand corner, a red stripe being at both top and bottom. The field of blue bunting should be twenty-six inches in length and twenty-one in width. On it should be from Arizony I'm a-thinkin' right now stitched forty-five five-pointed stars of pleted forms the upper left-hand corner of the flag and is stitched securely allowed for seams, but no allowance has been made for the tlny seam where the stripes are joined to the field, nor for the hem. The outer edge of the flag is then bemmed, and the inside edge faced with a piece of strong canvas for the admission of the

AN EPISODE OF THE FOURTH

flag-pole.

Oh, yes, we had a giorious time, of

ever; he lan't always.

made that all right with soda and a subterranean caverns yet distrag, and she never cried a bit; but there was an episode, and it happened to me. This was the way it happened. tricits, and within the main. I wanted both my hands to use, and itself. and there was no place to lay it down, and everybody else's hands were ful too, so 1-well, I just put it into m ocket for a minute. It was lighted at I didn't think it would do an rm just for a minute. I forgot t

And Louie politely "pitched in" to -pop! snap! bang! crack! fizz! whizz!



MY LEG."

and the faster I went, the barder they popped. Then all at once L saw, what to do, and I pulled off my jacket and threw it on the grass. Luckily it was my jacket, and not my trouser-pocket! Billy took it up and shook out the crackers, and then he turned out the once been white, and that, they said, was my handkerchief, but I should never have known it.



BILLY TOOK IT UP AND SHOOK OUT THE CRACKERS. et, and if you do, don't put a lighted slow-match in with them!

Then for the first time Louie thought | Everybody was yelling, and just for

"I FELT SOMETHING HOT AGAINST

Well, of course they all laughed at suppose; but my advice to other boys is: Don't carry grackers in your pock-



A STRANGE LODGEROOM. Nothing Like It Probably Elsewhere

-Laura E. Richards.

the World. The sixteenth session of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Arizona was unique in the history of latter-day Masonry, according to a correspondent of Leslie's Weekly. Its mystic rites and ceremonies were performed in a temple of great beauty and magnificent dimensions, in the building of which the sound of hammer and trowel was never heard. Two hundred feet below the surface of the earth, at the end of a half-mile of windings through narrow tunnels into the very heart of a great limestone and porphry mountain, was the wonderful temple-a cavern of course. We always do. We didn't be- large dimensions and exquisitely gin firing till 7 o'clock, partly because adorned by stalactites beyond the powit wakes people up, and partly because er of man to imitate. Two years ago it is so silly to use up all your crack- some dust-begrimed miners in the upers before breakfast, as some boys do, per levels of the Copper Queen mine, and have none for the rest of the day, at Bisbee, A. T., drifting their way inand have everyone to think you a nul- to the dark depths of earth, came suddenly upon this cavers. In the light We had a good lot of crackers, and of their tallow dips it seemed like a vimy horn was almost the Biggest size sless into earth's inferno. There were there is, though papa did say it was a the many-hued carbonized lime dripsure whether he was in carnest, howrift that was shadowy and weird. The We had no accidenta; that is, nother cave has since been seen by people ing to speak of. Polly burned two or three of her flugers a little, but we made that all right with soda and a subtersanean caverns yet discovered. For the Masons the winding p tricits, and within the main o

the turning over to the banks the en-A TRUST OF TRUSTS. tire power to jasue paper money and withdraw it, and help to defeat the existing combination of trusts and other

It Will Enrich the Great Corporations by Hundreds of Millions of Dollars-A Hanna Republican Plan to Loot

STEAL.

the United States Treasury. The ship subsidy bill, fathered by Senator Mark Hanna and Congressman Payne of New York, was favorably reported to both the house and the senate of the last congress, the Republican managers are committed to the istration the prosperity of the people ways unfortunate, and if the doctrine passage of the measure, the daily press has been muzzled by the great corporations whom the bill will enrich by hundreds of millions of dollars, and a large portion of the Republican camthings to come." paign fund is to come from the same source. The provisions of the proposed subsidy law are thus characterized by the most influential labor or-

ing trade: The Proposed Law. "The Hanna-Payne bill, officially entitled S. 5024, is one of the most un-American bills ever presented in the interest of foreign corporations, being practically a free-ship bill, with sufficient Americanism held in reserve to enable its progenitors to loot the United States treasury, and even barring itself from being compelled to employ American crews. It asks for the try in the ratio of two to one; it asks the land. Two Missouri sister-in-laws

ganizations engaged in the ship-build-

American shipyards from employment by the same shot that carried quick in our coasting trade, and the bill is so death to him. A bright-faced, flaxenfor the benefit of gigantic corporations which are largely alien. * * * We poses. A St. Louis man enters a promdenounce in the most emphatic terms | inent dry goods house, filled with busy the bill commonly known as the Han- customers and clerks, hunts out the na-Payne shipping bill."

and Senator Hanna engineered the of service to him in the accomplish-

manned ships may regain the carrying ed. And over and above all, a noted of our foreign commerce."

general goes vaporing over the coun-In this resolution there is a delib- try about a little matter of killing five erate concealment of the facts which | millions of men, women and children the labor organizations engaged in the in order that we may "civilize" anship-building trades have set forth. other five million! Would it not be In detail, the principal evils of the well to do a little civilizing at home They have lied so persistently that Hanna-Payne ship subsidy scheme are before we commence in the Philipmany people have been deceived. The as follows:

A Billion and a Half in Taxes. pocket, but there wasn't much left to bounty to ship owners which, during selves. turn. It was just a black rag, and it the life of the franchise-20 yearsdropped into little pieces. Then there | will amount to something like one and was a big piece that looked as if it had one-half billions of dollars. The present tax receipts by the United States already apparent encouraging signs tal of \$154,000,000, while in 1890 they government are about one-half billion that the country has reached the flood- were only \$132,000,000, showing an indollars or about one-third the amount tide of the trust movement, Human crease of \$22,000,000 in nine years. All which it is proposed to give to the men greed is destroying the gorgeous com- the payments, all the foreclosures, all me a good deal, but I didn't mind whose vessels shall fill the require- mercial structure which was being the evictions, all the wretchedness and ments, set forth in the proposed law. And right at this point the monopoly

pears: The Monopoly Feature It provides for a government bounty ness with that of steamship lines.

transportation. The billion-dollar When the investing public gives the and woe be to our financial managers steel trust is a much more difficult trusts a cold shoulder, when many of when that day comes. When the civil combination to effect.

The Prize at Stake for Monopoly Barons. In the ship subsidy bill the prize at its proportions, and if secured will, in combination with the other trust of trusts which will result if the proposed law for a banking monopoly is passed, lead to such far-reaching results as to sidy bill and the bill for branch banks, take formal possession of our government. IT IS INTERNATIONAL LAW service. There is no promotion THAT A FOREIGN STATE MAY, AT CONTRACT RIGHT OF ITS CITI- change the attitude of his mind. ZENS AGAINST ANOTHER STATE OR ANY PORTION THEREOF. In pursuance of this provision of international law, Egypt is being managed childs and their fellow monopolists. India is likewise managed by the Eng-Germany is likewise in the control of the money power, and Russia is fast at the root of their life and strengthling her power through financial the gold standard, ations in China. A combination of these foreign powers can so back up the monopoly power in this coun ry that the government can be heid mly in hand even to the extent of ng invalid the election resident and congress pledged to coreary is that these foreign states

Is il not clear that every Au

NEW SUBSIDY BILL A GIGANTIC

ism and true American ideas and post- in silver. cles, the friend of every American industry, and the wise and patriotic de-

Under his splendid Republican adminare looking with confidence for greater Note well the conclusion: "Are looking forward with confidence for greater things to come." On the other hand Head Professor Small of the department of Sociology in the Univer-

sity of Chicago declared recently that

monopoly is the greatest menace to

upon western Europe. Practical busi-

ness men, he says, are asking "where

will it all end? G. H. SHIBLEY. A Spirit of Murder.

From the Mississippi Valley Democrat and Journal of Agriculture: The admission of foreign ships to our regis- spirit of murder seems to be abroad in for a bounty to owners of these for- have a "hair-pulling," as the survivor eign built vessels of the larger and terms it, and one shoots the other. A swifter class of approximately 4½ beardless, dudish, psalm-singing Kancents per gross ton on every 100 miles sas boy shoots his sleeping father to sailed, leaving a small inducement to get his pittance of life insurance in order that he may marry a wax-doll sire is the purchase by the public treas-"Its provisions would debar the ships girl baby-and risks the murder of his constructed by its requirements in mother sleeping by his father's side covertly worded as to mislead all but haired Illinois boy helps to poison his those who are thoroughly acquainted father and afterwards assassinates his with matters marine, and is intended father's sister, as financial ventures in wife he has outraged and who is work-Endorsed by Hanna's Ohio Convention. ing to support herself and child, lays Yet, this infamous measure was en- his vile hands upon her and deliberatedorsed last Friday by the Republican ly shoots her in the most vital part of fix the relative if not the absolute State Convention of Ohio. The in- the body, and subsequently boasts dorsement misrepresents the measure, about his knowledge of anatomy being scheme. The exact words of the reso- ment of his cowardly purpose. A Chicago woman, herself the mother of a "For the National defense, for the grown daughter, waylays her own aged reinforcement of the navy, for the en- mother and deliberately fills her delargement of our foreign markets, for crepit body with lead, and boasts of the employment of American working- the deed as a vindication of "her men in the mines, forests, farms, mills, honor." And to cap the climax, a gold bullion steadily worth so many factories and shippards, we demand the Georgia mob, not far from the home of grains of silver buillon. Bimetailism immediate enactment of legislation "Evangelist" Sam Jones, who seems to will force no man to give or take any similar to that favorably reported to regret that he was destined to live in more or less of anything for a given each branch of the Fifty-fifth congress | such a wicked world, commits a crime | at its last session, so that American- so disgusting and so cowardly and built, American-owned and American brutal that its details cannot be print-

Investors Becoming Warr.

feature of Senator Hanna's bill ap- and bond it for \$5,000,000 was an ex- mortgage indebtedness. During that upon each mile traveled by the ships schemes were projected and more and still our mortgages on real estate which meet the requirements of the more watered stock was issued, until alone are almost equal to the entire law, the rate to be proportioned to the the public began to be surfeited. Later assessed valuation of the state. Add size of the vessel and the rate of the investors will begin to look for to this mighty indebtedness the chatspeed, BEING GREATER FOR THE their returns, and they are not going tel mortgages and the unsecured debts LARGER AND FASTER SHIPS. This to come with the expected unanimity. of the people, then add the public debt would exclude all sailing vessels and It is true the trusts may control the of the state, the countles, the townthe small steam vessels, and concen- output; it is true that they may, ships, the municipalities, the school trate the entire ocean trade of the through concentration, reduce the cost districts and the corporations and year United States in the large steam ves- of production and raise the price to can form some faint idea of the finansels owned by the gigantic corpora- the consumer as high as our protective cial condition of this great and prostions which combine the railroad busi- tariff against foreign producers will perous commonwealth. A fair exampermit, but in the end the matter must | ination of other states will show about Then with the competition from regulate itself. The thousands of men the same state of affairs, yet the states small corporations effectually shut off who are thrown out of employment by and the nation are spending money as by the discriminatory rates in the sub- the system cannot continue to be large they never spent it before. Title sidy law, the whole carrying trade on consumers of trust products, particu- money must all be paid some day, and land and sea would, in the hands of the larly those which are classed as luxu- how it can be paid under present coufew corporations, soon be merged into ries. The very system itself destroys ditions is a problem great enough to what may be very properly termed a the consumers, which are so necessary startle the wise men of the country. trust of trusts in freight and passenger to its continued profitable existence. The day of reckoning is surely coming

monopoly magnates is so mammoth in selves) there will be a crash in "indus- its indebtedness. trials." Secretary or Senator. From the New York Times: Secretary Alger announces that Senator make all lovers of popular government | McMillan of Michigan frequently told shudder. If this consolidating process him that he had no desire to remain in through private corporations ever goes | the senate if the secretary wanted his so far as the passage of the ship sub- seat. Senator McMillan declares that he never said what Mr. Alger says that the result will be that to protect the he said and never had any intention or ensuing monopolies, the men in charge desire of saying it or of acting in the of them will, aided by the governments | way that he is expected by the secreof Europe "to protect investments." tary to act. This is very embarrassing. Mr. McMillan is not in the military degradation in rank through which Mr. ITS DISCRETION, ENFORCE THE Alger can refresh his memory er

From the New York Times: There are trusts that are vulnerable and fit by an English army for the benefit of for destruction. We refer to the comumanity, of course, and the taxes col- binations that carry on business withlected are turned over to the Roths- out competition under the shelter of tariff protection bought of a Republican congress. They are the true oclish, and the French government has topus; they indeed are a public enemy. several pleces of territory in its hands But it would be impracticable to sinas receiver for its Monopoly Barons, gle out these tariff-made trusts for campaign attack. The ax must strike

> From the Philadelphia Record: The proposition to hold a reunion of the veterans of the north and south at St. Louis or some other convenient city is worthy of favorable consideration A great fraternal gathering of the old acidiers of the blue and the gray would be a fitting accuse to the demonstraem and loyalty

DOUBLE STANDARD.

While the most accurate bimetals lists, perhaps, sometimes lapse into the monopolies fostered by the men whom expression "double standard," every Mark Hanna, as campaign manager, one of them abhors it as a dangerous placed in power at the last national misnomer. It is not, as is sometimes said, impossible that there should be The Ohio state convention, with Sen- a double standard for measuring ator Hanna in command, declared in values. Such exists today in the great its resolutions for: "President McKin- ports of India and China. Goods there ley, the best exponent of Republican- are worth so much in gold and so much

It is the same in Italy, where paper fender and advocate of honest money. prices form one list and gold prices another. But that state of things is alhas developed, our commerce has of bimetallism proposed such it would grown great, our trade, domestic and deserve only condemnation. What biforeign, has increased to a degree metallism essays to provide is an abnever before known, and the people solutely simple and unitary standard of value, realizable infallibly and continlously in either of the two metals.

It is not pretended, either, that the value embodied in the unit of this standard will be perfectly stable, though such will be more nearly the case with a value standard incessantly realized the remarkable growth of uncontrolled in each of two metals than in one revealing itself in a single metal only civilization since the Huns descended The contention is that, under bimetallism, any given article or lot of goods In a given market at a given time will bear the same price, whether appraised in the one metal or in the other. Again, to favor the Sherman law, the Bland law, or any other scheme for purchasing silver by the government, is not only no part of himetalliam but in theory flagrantly hostile thereto.

That sort of legislation has done the cause of bimetallism immeasurable harm. It engenders, far and wide, the notion that what bimetallists de ury of all the silver which any one pleases to sell. Bimetallists will have nothing of the kind. They either deny or deplore the necessity of any bullion purchases by government except for subsidiary coins. Their demand is simply that, so soon as it can be done with safety, every holder of silver be permitted to bring it to the mint, as all may now bring gold, and have it tender in all amounts.

coined into money that shall be legal Another hallucination about bimetal lism is that it involves an attempt to values of gold and silver by the direct operation of statute. It means no such thing. Supply and demand, economic laws, that is, are to determine gold and silver values under bimetallism, as now. What is expected of bimetalile legislation is simply that it will set free certain now latent economic forces, which shall make a grain of amount of any other thing than he pleases of his own free will to give and take,-E. Benjamin Andrews.

. Mortgage Bebt Increasing. From the Omaha Non-Conformist:

The Republican papers have told us that the mortgages are nearly all pald and the state is almost out of debt. pines? It is barely possible that we report of the bureau of labor just might learn something in the line of published explodes this fairy tale and The bill provides for a subsidy or civilization from the Filipinos them- brings us face to face with a condition instead of a theory. By that report the truth of which nobody will deny the mortgages on real estate alone in From the Denver Post: There are this state amount to the enormous to built with such pains. To buy a prop- financial suffering of the last nine erty for \$1,000,000 and then to stock years has served only to increase our ceedingly brilliant stroke of enterprise time we have had 50,000 foreclosures so long as the investing public eagerly in the state, amounting in the aggrebit at the balt. More and more daring gate to fifty millions of dollars, and them realize they have been robbed, war broke out the country was comwhen the consumers buy as little as paratively free from debts, while tothey possibly can (and many of them day all the property in sight, if sold stake for Senator Hanna and the other even now cannot possibly help them- under the hammer, would hardly buy

You Pays Your Money

From the Chattanooga News: The other day the Filipinos were worn to a frazzle, if even that much of them was left. A little later and we were told it would take a much bigger #rmy to keep the natives whipped iten i did to whip them, and now, prestc! the news comes that they are more aumerous, more belligerent, more of everything that makes up a fighting people than ever before. The news from Manila doesn't lack for variety, Platever else may be said about it.

From the Indianapolis Sentiagi: Mr. Clarke, the Peorla distiller, thinks the trusts will fall of their owr weight. There are a great many people who have that idea and who also think that when they fall they will smash pretty nearly everybody. There are falls that are difficult to stand from under, and the spread of trusts has pretty nearly covered the whole coun

The Victorious Spollsmen From the Cleveland Plain Dealer After months of shivering on the brink President McKinley has finally taken the plunge. The order modifying the civil-service restrictions so as to exempt a large number of offices from the classified service was approved in cabinet meeting yesterday and will be signed and promulgated as soon as some changes have been made.

Towise from All Standpoints. From the Philadelphia Record alle there is much difference of opin erning the president's foreign oiler, the people can take but one new of his policy in austaining such incredited officials as Alger and Ea-an. It is neither a statesmanlike nor

** Better Be Wise Than Rich."

Wise people are also rich when they know a perfect remedy for all annoying diseases of the blood, kidneys, liver and bowels. It is Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is perfect in its action - so regulates the entire system as to bring vigorous health.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Artesian Wells in the West.

In South Dakota most successful results are being achieved with artesian wells. Their use for supplying water for irrigation doubles and triples the yield of the land. A single well over one thousand feet deep is cited, which gives sufficient water for nearly two square miles of land. Other wells are but one hundred feet deep. Even the climate of a region may be modified by the surface distribution of such quantities of water, and the consequent regetable growth covering the otherwise barren areas.

Why Ships Defy Lightning. The reason why ships are not struck by lightning is attributed by German authorities to the general use which is now being made of wire rope for rigging purposes, as well as to the fact that the hulls of ships are usually constructed of iron or steel. Thus the whole ship forms an excellent and continuous conductor, by means of which the electricity is led away into the ocean before it has time to do any

serious damage. Alum num in Scales.

More or less aluminum is now utilized in the manufacture of scales, especially in the more delicate machines. Many makers use aluminum for beams, pans, riders, bars, levels, and bows. in making their, line balances and weights. By using aluminum, greater delicacy can be attained in weighing than when the scales are made of heavier metal, while it is easier to make levels of aluminum, for the metal can be more readily spun around the glass of the spirit-level than brass.

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